

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A system for evaluating characteristics of skin or hair~~body~~ typology of a person comprising:

a screen, ~~at least one of:~~
a plurality of images corresponding to different grades of at least one characteristic of skin or hair~~body~~ typology being displayed on the ~~screen and, screen, and~~
at least one video sequence associated with at least one of the plurality of images configured for being displayed on the screen,

~~said the~~ video sequence comprising images expressing ~~said only one degree of the characteristic and, and:~~

- the video sequence being obtained by filming the scalp of a person whose state of skin or hair is deemed to correspond to the state of the person being evaluated~~that of the at least one image~~, or

the video sequence comprising images expressing

~~- the characteristic being at least one of the degree of aging of the skin, tissue slackening, wrinkles, sagging, skin firmness and cellulite, as said characteristic, and the video sequence being obtained by filming of the skin of a person whose state is deemed to correspond to the state of the person being evaluated.~~~~that of the at least one image.~~

2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) A system according to claim 1, wherein all of the images are displayed simultaneously on ~~a~~the screen.

4. (Currently Amended) A system according to claim 1, wherein a fraction only of the images is displayed simultaneously on ~~a~~the screen.

5. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 1, wherein at least one image is displayed on the screen, and wherein the system is configured in such a manner that acting on a cursor enables the displayed image to be replaced by another image.

6. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 5, wherein the images are generated by morphing.

7. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 1, including action buttons associated with the respective images and enabling display of the corresponding video sequence to be triggered.

8. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 1, including at least one audio sequence associated with the video sequence.

9. (Currently Amended) Image acquisition apparatus, comprising:

- at least one camera enabling an image to be acquired;
- at least one screen enabling at least one image acquired by the camera to be displayed in association with at least one image of an atlas including images that express different grades of a characteristic of body skin or hair typology; and
- a processor enabling at least one video sequence associated with at least one of the images of the atlas to be displayed on the screen, said the video sequence comprising images expressing said only one degree of the characteristic and, and:

- the video sequence being obtained by filming the scalp of a person whose state of skin or hair is deemed to correspond to the state of a person that of the at least one acquired image, or

the video sequence comprising images expressing

- the characteristic being at least one of the degree of aging of the skin, tissue slackening, wrinkles, sagging, skin firmness and cellulite, as said characteristic, and

the video sequence being obtained by filming of the skin of a person whose state is deemed to correspond to that the state of the person of the at least one acquired image.

10. (Original) Apparatus according to claim 9, wherein the at least one camera includes a magnifying lens.

11. (Original) Apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the lens has a magnification factor greater than or equal to 20 or 160.

12. (Original) Apparatus according to claim 9, including at least one pushbutton, and wherein the apparatus is configured to freeze on the at least one screen an image filmed by the camera when said pushbutton is actuated.

13. (Previously Presented) Apparatus according to claim 9, wherein the processor comprises a portable microcomputer.

14. (Original) Apparatus according to claim 9, wherein the duration of at least one video sequence is greater than or equal to 5 s.

15. (Original) Apparatus according to claim 9, including means for enabling an observer to interrupt the running of a video sequence at any time.

16. (Original) Apparatus according to claim 15, the apparatus being configured, after the running of a video sequence has been interrupted, to enable a new image to be acquired with the camera, the field of observation of the camera being displayed on the screen simultaneously with the image on which the sequence has been frozen.

17. (Original) Apparatus according to claim 9, wherein the camera includes integrated lighting.

18. (Original) Apparatus according to claim 17, wherein the lighting can be selected between lighting of the following types: UV, IR, or visible light.

19. (Previously Presented) Apparatus according to claim 9, wherein the processor is configured so that the images of the sequence are displayed at a size that is substantially equal to the size of the image displayed on the screen and coming from the camera.

20. (Original) Apparatus according to claim 9, the apparatus being configured in such a manner that the images of the sequence are displayed on the screen in association with an image, coming from the camera.

21. (Original) Apparatus according to claim 20, wherein the image coming from the camera is a frozen image.

22. (Original) Apparatus according to claim 9, including a sensor suitable for measuring at least one color magnitude.

23. (Original) Apparatus according to claim 22, including a melanometer.

24. (Original) Apparatus according to claim 9, including a printer.

25. (Previously Presented) Apparatus according to claim 9, wherein the processor is configured to establish a diagnosis on the basis of at least one image selected from the atlas.

26. (Previously Presented) Apparatus according to claim 9, wherein the processor is configured to send information relating to at least one of at least one image acquired by the camera and at least one image selected from the atlas to a remote point.

27. (Currently Amended) A method of evaluating a characteristic of body typology ~~in which use is made of~~ comprising evaluating the body with the system as defined in claim 1.

28. (Currently Amended) A method of evaluating a characteristic of body typology ~~in which use is made of~~ comprising evaluating the body with the acquisition apparatus as defined in claim 9.

29. (Currently Amended) A method of establishing a cosmetic diagnosis comprising:

- enabling at least one image in an atlas to be selected from a plurality of images of the atlas expressing different grades of at least one characteristic of body-skin or hair typology, the selected image being deemed to correspond to the actual grade of that characteristic with a person;

- enabling said the person to view at least one video sequence associated with the image selected from the atlas, said the video sequence comprising images expressing only one degree of the characteristic, and: said characteristic and

the video sequence being obtained by filming the scalp of a person
whose state of skin or hair is deemed to correspond to the state of the personthat of the at
least one image, who was enabled to view the at least one video sequence, or
the video sequence comprising images expressing

the characteristic being at least one of the degree of aging of the skin,
tissue slackening, wrinkles, sagging, skin firmness and cellulite as said characteristic, and the
video sequence being obtained by filming of the skin of a person whose state is deemed to
correspond to that the state of the person of the at least one image, who was enabled to view
the at least one video sequence, and

- establishing a diagnosis as a function at least of the selection that has been made.

30. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 29, further comprising using a camera to acquire at least one image of a portion of the body that expresses the characteristic.

31. (Original) A method according to claim 30, wherein the image acquired by the camera is transmitted to a remote point, and wherein the diagnosis is established remotely.

32. (Currently Amended) A method of prescribing a cosmetic, the method comprising:

- enabling at least one image in an atlas to be selected from a plurality of images of the atlas expressing different grades of at least one characteristic of body skin or hair typology, the selected image being deemed to correspond to the actual grade of that characteristic with a person;

- enabling said the person to view at least one video sequence associated with the image selected from the atlas, said the video sequence comprising images expressing only one degree of the said characteristic and, and:

- the video sequence being obtained by filming the scalp of a person whose state of skin or hair is deemed to correspond to that the state of the person of the at least one image, who was enabled to view the at least one video sequence, or the video sequence comprising images expressing

- the characteristic being at least one of the degree of aging of the skin, tissue slackening, wrinkles, sagging, skin firmness and cellulite as said characteristic, and the video sequence being obtained by filming of the skin of a person whose state is deemed to correspond to that the state of the person of the at least one image, who was enabled to view the at least one video sequence, and

- prescribing a substance as a function of at least one of the selection that has been made.

33. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 32, further comprising using a camera to acquire at least one image of a part of the person's body that expresses the characteristic.

34. (Original) A method according to claim 33, wherein the image acquired by the camera is transmitted to a remote point and wherein the cosmetic is prescribed remotely.

35. (Original) A method according to claim 27, wherein the characteristic of body typology relates to the state of the hair.

36. (Original) A method according to claim 28, wherein the characteristic of body typology relates to the state of the hair.

37. (Original) A method according to claim 27, wherein the characteristic of body typology relates to the state of the skin.

38. (Original) A method according to claim 28, wherein the characteristic of body typology relates to the state of the skin.

39. (Original) A method according to claim 37 or 38, wherein the characteristic of body typology corresponds to the nature of the skin.

40. (Original) A method according to claim 37 or 38, wherein the characteristic of body typology corresponds to the degree of aging of the skin.

41. (Original) A method according to claim 35 or 36, wherein the characteristic of body typology corresponds to the state of the scalp.

42. (Original) A method according to claim 35 or 36, wherein the characteristic of body typology corresponds to the state of the hairs.

43. (Currently Amended) A computer server, the server being configured to:

- enable at least one image of an atlas comprising a plurality of images corresponding to different grades of at least one characteristic of body skin or hair typology to be displayed;

- enable at least one image to be selected from the atlas; and
- enable at least one video sequence associated with an the at least one image selected from the atlas to be displayed, said the sequence comprising images expressing only one degree of the said characteristic and, and:

- said the video sequence being obtained by filming the scalp of a person whose state of skin or hair is deemed to correspond to that the state of a person of the at least one image, under evaluation, or

- the characteristic being the video sequence comprising images expressing at least one of the degree of aging of the skin, tissue slackening, wrinkles, sagging, skin firmness and cellulite as said characteristic, and the video sequence being obtained by filming of the skin of a person whose state is deemed to correspond to that the state of the person under evaluation of the at least one image.

44. (Currently Amended) A server according to claim 43, the server being configured to receive an image of a portion of a the person that expresses the characteristic to be evaluated, said image being acquired by a camera.

45. (Canceled)

46. (Currently Amended) A system for evaluating characteristics of body skin or hair typology comprising:

a screen,

at least one of:

a plurality of images corresponding to different grades of at least one characteristic of body skin or hair typology being displayed on the screen and, and at least one video sequence associated with at least one of the plurality of images configured for being displayed on the screen,

said the video sequence comprising images expressing only one degree of thesaid characteristic and being obtained by filming the scalp of a person whose state of skin or hair is deemed to correspond to that the state of a person being evaluated of the at least one image.

47. (Currently Amended) Image acquisition apparatus, comprising:

- at least one camera enabling an image to be acquired;

- at least one screen enabling at least one image acquired by the camera to be displayed in association with at least one image of an atlas including images that express different grades of a characteristic of body-skin or hair typology; and

- a processor enabling at least one video sequence associated with at least one of the images of the atlas to be displayed on the screen, said-the video sequence comprising images expressing only one degree of the said-characteristic and being obtained by filming the scalp of a person whose state of skin or hair is deemed to correspond to that-the state of a person from which of the at least one image was acquired.

48. (Currently Amended) A method of establishing a cosmetic diagnosis comprising:

- enabling at least one image in an atlas to be selected from a plurality of images of the atlas expressing different grades of at least one characteristic of body-skin or hair typology, the selected image being deemed to correspond to the actual grade of that characteristic with a person;

- enabling said-the person to view at least one video sequence associated with the image selected from the atlas, said-the video sequence comprising images expressing only one degree of the said-characteristic and being obtained by filming the scalp of a person whose state of skin or hair is deemed to correspond to that-the state of the person who was enabled to view the at least one video sequence, and of the at least one selected image and,

- establishing a diagnosis as a function at least of the selection that has been made.

49. (Currently Amended) A method of prescribing a cosmetic, the method comprising:

- enabling at least one image in an atlas to be selected from a plurality of images of the atlas expressing different grades of at least one characteristic of body-skin or hair typology, the selected image being deemed to correspond to the actual grade of that characteristic with a person;

- enabling said the person to view at least one video sequence associated with the image selected from the atlas, said the video sequence comprising images expressing only one degree of the said characteristic and being obtained by filming the scalp of a person whose state of skin or hair is deemed to correspond to that the state of the person who was enabled to view the at least one video sequence; of the at least one image; and

- prescribing a substance as a function of at least one of the selection that has been made.

50. (Currently Amended) A computer server, the server being configured to:

- enable at least one image of an atlas comprising a plurality of images corresponding to different grades of at least one characteristic of body-skin or hair typology to be displayed;

- enable at least one image to be selected from the atlas; and
- enable at least one video sequence associated with an image selected from the atlas to be displayed, said the video sequence comprising images expressing only one degree of the said characteristic and said the video sequence being obtained by filming the scalp of a person whose state of skin or hair is deemed to correspond to that the state of a person of the at least one image being evaluated.